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THE ROW AT WASHINGTON

The controversy that has broken out in Washington lately is lamentable in many ways. But there are certain important facts about it which our American public, our Allies and our enemies will do well to keep in mind.

First of all, it should be clearly understood that there is no division over fundamental government policy. It is no fight between a war party and a peace party, between militarists and pacifists, between advocates of aggressive warfare and advocates of passive co-operation with our allies. Everybody concerned is for war against Germany up to the hilt. The differences of opinion are all with regard to the most effective prosecution of the war, matters of administration rather than policy.

Some of our statesmen are criticising others simply because they do not think those others are pushing the war quite enough. That's all there is to it. They all want the same thing—defeat of Germany in the quickest time and the completest possible way.

If Germany, therefore, can derive any great degree of satisfaction from the Washington fireworks, she's welcome to it.

As a matter of fact, this squabbling and mutual recrimination, disagreeable as it is, bodes nothing but ill to our foes. We do not care whether they believe it or not, but we hope our allies understand it. It is literally true, as the New York Times remarks, that "the more we fight at Washington, the better we shall fight in France." The British, from their own turbulent experience, can readily understand that.

Criticism is a spur to better work. When false, it can have little effect. When true, it is bound to result in improvement. There is evidence that whatever was legitimate in recent congressional criticism has already had a wholesome effect in such executive departments and bureaus as were weak in personnel or lax in handling their work. War preparations have tightened up all along the line.

There can be little objection to a continuance of criticism, provided it is conducted honestly and patriotically, along nonpartisan lines, not from personal vindictiveness but with a view to constructive results.

THE FLIPANT FOOD-DEALER

When a policeman called on Christ Pete, Bulgarian grocer of Cleveland, for the federal food survey, to get his list of foodstuffs on hand, Pete gave him an empty blank instead of a complete report, and said airily:

"I have no time for such monkey business. If President Wilson wants to know what I have in my stock he will have to come and look at it himself."

When that answer reached headquarters, Pete was promptly summoned before the federal officials and informed that he could take his choice of filling out that report or paying \$1000 fine and going to jail for a year. Whereupon Pete immediately submitted his inventory, and declared himself a good American.

The incident is but one of thousands that have come to light showing a tendency to ignore government orders, particularly of the food and fuel administrations. It is high time that a few examples were made, to make everybody realize that there isn't any joke about it—that orders, or mere requests, from any federal representative, regarding any phase of our war activities, are given because they are necessary and must be taken seriously.

A VICTORY RECIPE

Most everybody is telling us how to win the war. Every man or woman with a hobby is working it for all its worth. Most of the suggestions are good in their way, but partial and fragmentary. About the best thing of the sort we've seen is a little exhortation credited to Mr. Hoover, the food administrator:

"Go back to the simple life. Be contented with simple food, simple pleasures, simple clothes. Work hard, pray hard. Work, eat, recreate and sleep. Do it all courageously."

That's sound common sense. It deals with fundamentals. It pretty nearly covers the whole ground. And its value isn't confined to the war. Faithfully followed, it would mean victory in our present undertaking, and success in all undertakings.

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LEGISLATION FOR DRAFT

Completed By War Department—Bills Offer Radical Changes and Will Provide 2,000,000 More Soldiers—Takes In Younger Men.

Washington, January 30—War Department legislation, tentatively agreed upon by the Senate Military Committee and designed to provide additional draft machinery was ready today for introduction in the Senate.

The bills provide for the registration of youths attaining the age of 21 years since, June 5, last, authorized the fixing of quotas on the basis of class 1 of the new classification and empowers the President to call men needed for special industrial work.

Provost Marshal General Crowder, in an explanation to the committee, said it was proposed to hold a new drawing to establish the order of liability of the new registrants. It is assumed, he asserted, that most of the new registrants will fall in class 1, giving the class this year a total of more than 2,000,000 men. From this class it is expected to take the next and future drafts. Secretary Baker's plan to exempt men who have attained the age of 31, disapproved by Gen. Crowder, is not included in the legislation.

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